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September 4, 1917.

Rev. David Waggoner,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Waggoner,

Dr. Dixon is absent for a couple of week vacation at Northfield. Before he left he asked me to decide the matter of a minister for the Kake mission, and therefore I am writing to you.

Rev. J. Roscoe Fitzgerald of Taos, New Mexico, applied some time ago for work in Alaska. I wrote to three men who knew him and his work, and am enclosing to you their letters. Please read these letters and if possible send copies of them to Dr. Condit and return them to my office. I have also had a long talk with Dr. Moffett who has charge of the Indian work, and who knows Mr. Fitzgerald. Everything was so favorable about him that I am recommending his appointment to Kake. If you approve, will you kindly write to Mr. Fitzgerald telling him the route he would have to take, the expense of the trip, the furnishings of the house, the facts about Post Office, white settlers, schools, etc, that he would need to know. He has a wife, but I think no children as yet - was but recently married. Mr. Fitzgerald had experience in Indian work among the Navajos, and therefore is not new to that kind of life. We hope he will be the man for the field. He writes that he is something of a machinist, and can handle a gasoline boat, and that he is also capable of making his own furniture.

Will you please write me telling me just what is needed to complete the boat at Kake? and whether there is any other gasoline boat available until the new one can be completed?

Dr. Marquis has accepted the office of General Secretary for the Home Mission Board, and will take charge of the office the first of October. He will

come here the 20th of this month, and we will all thresh out the matters of re-organization, etc. preparatory to his installation. Dr Dixon and Mr. McAfee will undoubtedly remain in the office for some time, at least until Dr. Marquis learns the business. Dr. Marquis is warmly in favor of my taking full charge of the Alaska office as Secretary for Alaska, and that change will probably be made.

We have before us a very strenuous campaign for funds, and it is going to be harder to raise the necessary home mission money this year than ever before. The Red Cross and the war are calling so loudly for help that people feel that the missions can stand aside for awhile. However, we hope to convince the church of the error of that idea before spring, and are entering upon a very vigorous campaign of instruction and money raising.

I would like any new pictures you have of the Juneau Indian Mission, and of the natives showing their progress, in order that I may make them into slides.

Give my warm regards to your wife and family, and to the Bruces.

Very cordially yours,

September 4, 1917.

Rev. Samuel Magill,

Raton, New Mexico.

My dear Brother,

Dr. Moffett has advised me to write you concerning the Rev. J. Roscoe Fitzgerald, now of Taos, New Mexico. Dr. Fitzgerald has applied for appointment to one of our Indian missions in southeastern Alaska. Drs. McKeam, Menaul School, Albuquerque, N.M., Dr. J.G. McClure, of McCormick Seminary and Rev. B. E. McCollough of Santa Fe, have given quite favorable recommendations.

Dr. Moffett says that you are well acquainted with his work while among the Navajos, and also with his present work. Will you kindly give me your confidential estimate of Mr. Fitzgerald and his qualifications for that kind of work? Is he kind in his treatment of the Indians, and is he also firm and wise? Does he allow the Indians to come freely to his house and give them the counsel of a father and friend? What is his adaptability to that life? Your letter will be regarded as confidential. We are anxious to make no mistake in sending a man to our native work in Alaska. Enclosed find stamped envelope for your reply.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Your brother in the work,

Alaska office,
Board of Home Missions.

September 10, 1917.

Rev. Wallace Sutton Marple,

Fairbanks, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Marple,

Yours of July 24th has been unanswered quite awhile. I was under the impression that I had written you.

Long before this you have had communication with Dr. Condit and Dr. Diven, and I hope have seen them both. We are very busy just now getting the money off to Diven for the church and new manse. I am glad we have been able to act promptly in this matter, and that he will be well housed for the winter, and start his work under such favorable auspices. I am a little astonished that we have had to send our drafts and money orders to the bank at Fairbanks. Is it possible that there is no bank as yet established at Nenana?

I presume that Forbes turned the subscription list that he secured for funds to build the church over to Condit and Diven, and that all three have been working together for one object. Where is Forbes going to spend the winter?

I have not heard any further about the College matter, except that Governor Strong sent me a list of those whom he had appointed as trustees of the new College. The personnel of the Board of trustees does not look very good to me for my securing a position. I shall do what I can and not worry about it, however.

Dr. Marquis has accepted the General Secretaryship of the Board, and spent a couple of delightful days with us at Fair Haven. He is fully in accord with all my plans about the reorganization of ^{the} Alaska office, and is decidedly opposed to my leaving this work here for a term of years at least. He wants me to go

with him on a tour of Alaska next summer, but I hardly think that will be feasible. I do not think we can both of us be away from the office at once for any length of time, and the trip to Alaska would take at least two months. Dr. Marquis is to be here the 20th of this month, and all of us together are going to thresh out matters of reorganization, etc. He will take hold of the office the first of October. It is likely that Dr. Dixon and Mr. McAfee will remain at work here, at least for the winter.

I am using your paragraph about Governor Strong and sending another letter to the President. Strong's enemies - the narrow, intensely partisan anti-prohibition, and for the most part Catholic political gang at Juneau, are bringing all the pressure possible to bear upon President Wilson against Strong's appointment. Secretary Lane is entirely for Gov. Strong. I got one letter directly to the President and an answer from it, and am sending another through the same channel, Dr. Halsey, of the Foreign Board - a classmate of President Wilson's.

I hope you have met Judge Wickersham before this. I am expecting that he will be east before the beginning of the next term of Congress. The adjournment of the present session will take place very soon judging by latest advices.

Now as to the matter of the fur coats. I really hardly know where to turn for this important and present need. I have written to the young ladies of the Fourth Church in Chicago to see if they will not furnish one or both of these coats. I have also spoken to Mr. Banks, assistant treasurer, and it may be that he will feel justified in advancing the money for the coats at once so that they can be ordered and sent without delay. It is getting pretty late to have these made and sent down the Yukon and up the Tanana. If I am delayed in getting them and able to procure them a month or two hence, I shall have them expressed to Shriver at Cordova, and get him to send them in

to you via the trail. It is very likely that he can take the method which has been employed frequently by those who take such garments into the interior in the winter time, - that is, let some men and women, who are going by stage over the trail wear the coats in and thus deliver them to you without expense of cartage. I think I shall be able to write you again on this matter shortly. If I have the order of the coats I shall get them from a firm in St. Paul with which we have dealt. Mr. McKibbon, the brother of Dr. McKibbon of Lane Seminary, an elder in one of our St. Paul churches, is the senior member of the firm in Fairbanks, and he takes great interest in these coats and robes for our Alaska missionaries, and gives us a very liberal discount.

I have a pretty distinct idea of your physical dimensions, but not at all of the size and build of Mrs. Marple, except that I have an indistinct impression, whether obtained from you or partly from my own imagination that Mrs. Marple is a woman of good size, and of rather portly build. Therefore if I obtain a coat for her before I hear from you again, I shall have it made large enough. If it is too large, it can be tucked up or cut down. I make no definite promise about these garments, except that I shall do my best to obtain them.

Dr. Patterson, our financial secretary, is absent on vacation just now, and so is Dr. Dixon. It is not likely that I shall be able to appear before the churches for two or three weeks yet. I presume you will be "mushing" over the winter trails and dog-sledding before this letter reaches you. I shall be seventy tomorrow, but my whole body and soul yearns to be with you taking a "mush" across that beautiful wilderness.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible again, and keep writing to me. Send me items and pictures that I can use in my lectures. With warm regards to Mrs. Marple, and the other friends, I am

Very cordially yours,

Dictated but not signed.

September 10, 1917.

Woodrow Wilson,
President of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President,

I addressed a letter to you on June 11th, 1917, on behalf of the reappointment of Governor J. F. A. Strong of Alaska. I understand that matter is still in abeyance, and I write again urging Governor's Strong's reappointment as essential to the best progress of Alaska.

I am in receipt of many letters from all parts of Alaska, all expressing the earnest wish that Mr. Strong continue in office another four years. A letter just received from Rev. Wallace Sutton Marple, our minister at Fairbanks, says:

"Please help the Governor all you can. Our best people want only him. Others dwarf as candidates in comparison. 'One of the few men holding office in Alaska bigger than his position' said a Republican of note to me not long since."

A letter from a prominent Democrat of Nome said, "Ninetenths of the Democrats in this district, and all the best ones want Strong reappointed."

The opposition to the Governor is, I am certain, from a comparatively small clique of politicians, most of whom I know and know to be opposed to the new prohibition law, and to be merely selfish schemers. The only charge they bring against Governor Strong, is that he was honest

enough to decide the election as president of the Board of Canvassers, according to the evidence and the vote of the majority, although contrary to his own vote. The great majority of Alaskans are anxiously awaiting his reappointment.

Very respectfully,

Alaska Office,

Board of Home Missions.

September 10, 1917.

Rev. David Waggoner,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Waggoner,

I found in my letter to you the other day, enclosing matter concerning Mr. Fitzgerald, I was under the impression that you were Chairman of the Home Mission Committee of Alaska Presbytery. I now find from Dr. Dixon's office that Mr. Brave is Chairman of the Home Mission Committee of that Presbytery. I am writing to him, and you will please consult him and have him write to me as soon as possible. I would like also to get a letter from you concerning the situation there, especially about the boat.

I have just received a letter from Dr. Dixon, to whom I sent a copy of my letter to Mr. Fitzgerald, in which Dr. Dixon says: "I concur in your decision concerning Fitzgerald." So I think Fitzgerald's appointment is clear at this end. I shall write Dr. Condit about it.

Very cordially yours,

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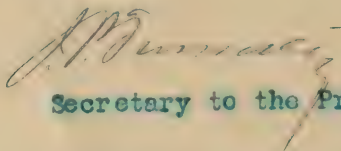
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 14, 1917.

My dear Dr. Young:

In the President's absence, I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of September 10th, and to say that I shall bring it to his attention upon his return to the city.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. P. Murray".

Secretary to the President.

Rev. S. Hall Young,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

September 11, 1911

My dear Mr. Brewster

In the President's absence, I beg to
acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Sep-
tember 10th, and to say that I shall return it
to his attention upon his return to the city.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary of the President

Very truly yours,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

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General Missionary
Juneau, Alaska

Juneau, Alaska,

September 14, 1917.

Rev.S. Hall Young,D.D.,

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Dr.Young:

Yours of the 4th in regard to the appointment of Rev.
J.Roscoe Fitzgerald to the Kake Field received yesterday. Mr.Bruce is
now the Chairman of the Home Mission Committee so I took the letter to
him for conference. The Board will no doubt hear from him officially
at once.

The credentials of Mr.Fitzgerald seem to be very good. We
need a very good man at Kake. It has become an important center since the
cannery has been built. In addition it is the cross-roads for the Natives
going from the north, seeking employment in the southern canneries where
the trap fishing does not prevail.

I will write to Mr.Fitzgerald as soon as I get the necessary
information in regard to rates, routes and so forth. I will try to give
him the best understanding of the nature of the work at Kake that I can.
In regard to the boat , the estimate for engine at the spring meeting was
\$1375. This will have to be installed at Juneau. I should say that an ad-
ditional \$150 will be required for this, which includes pipes and work
of installation. Perhaps when the money for this is secured it would be
better to conduct the business of purchase and installation through us
here in Juneau rather than through the new man.

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I do not believe there will be any boat available for Kake. Perhaps one could be ~~char~~tered in an emergency, but that would be prohibitive in price. Perhaps \$25.00 per day would be the price. It is essential to the work that a boat be in commission at the earliest date possible. It will take some time to purchase the engine and install after the money is in hand.

I am glad that Dr. Marquis has accepted the General Secretaryship of the Board. The Church has been in suspense ever since the Assembly met. On every hand as I returned from Dallas I heard men speak highly of Dr. Marquis and commend the Board in its selection.

I spoke in several churches during my trip. Some of the churches took offerings which they said they would forward to the Board. Dr. Myers of Kansas City has asked me for my slides and for other pictures which I have. He gives an address in the Linwood Avenue Church of K.C. Dr. Myers was formerly located in Ketchikan. I spoke in the same church to about 200 ladies in their missionary meeting. Will try to send you some pictures later.

If at any time you should find some one that ^{would} ~~would~~ like to place a piano in a mission, either a new one or a good second hand one, remember Juneau. Our only instrument in the home is a Bilhorn. We need an instrument for choir practice in the home, and for music lessons which Mrs. Waggoner is trying to give the people on the Bilhorn. You know the musical nature of the Thlingets. We are hoping that we will soon have some one trained for the Church and Sabbath School who can take charge of the music. With best wishes,

Lucernely Yours,
David Waggoner

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

Harvey C. Olin, Treasurer


W. R. Patterson, Financial Secretary

September 18th, 1917.

Rev. Earl A. Miller,
Clyde, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Miller:-

The financial situation of the Board of Home Missions was carefully reviewed by the last General Assembly at Dallas. The Home Mission Council and the Assembly were of the opinion that the churches should be called upon to greatly increase their contributions to the national work of ~~Home Missions~~. This determination was embodied in a resolution directing that the Board of Home Missions proceed to raise the sum of \$1,500,000 for its work this fiscal year.

The situation that led to this somewhat drastic action on the part of the General Assembly is shown in part by the enclosed leaflet entitled "The Present Crisis." An additional fact that greatly exercised the members of that body was that the Board was unable to undertake new work or yet carry on a considerable amount of work already started and going favorably. The result is that we are now faced with the problem of how this sum shall be raised. After carefully reviewing the possible income of the Board we find that it will be necessary for the churches to somewhat double the amount they have previously contributed to the work of this Board. In many cases this sum is wholly inadequate and a far larger sum should be given. The concensus of opinion is that a sum of at least 25¢ per member should be raised by our Presbyteries for the national work, or that Synodical, Presbyterial and National work should receive a contribution of at least \$1.00 per member. During the past year your membership of something over 3000 contributed the sum of \$145.56 to the national work.

I am writing you at this time to obtain your opinion and advice as to the steps I should take in order to approximate the added sum this Board should receive. Various plans might be suggested but I will not mention them at this moment in order that I may have the benefit of your suggestions before formulating them. As the season is now well in advance and we must act quickly, an early reply will oblige.

Very truly yours,

Financial Secretary.

Enclosure.

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September 21, 1917.

Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D.,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Dr. Young:

You no doubt have my letter in reply to the Fitzgerald appointment before this date. I told you in that letter that Mr. Bruce was chairman of the H.M.C. and that the Board would hear from him officially.

In the matter of transportation on the steamers to Alaska it will be necessary for Mr. Fitzgerald to have credentials certifying that he is under appointment to the Kake Field. This will enable him to get rates on the lines of which I write him. His permit used on R.R. in the States will not give him advantage of rates in Alaska. He must be Alaskan resident or appointee. Will you see that the necessary credentials reach Mr. Fitzgerald in time.

We are in the midst of the Fall Meeting of Presbytery and I am sending this to you hurriedly. We go to Skagway Monday to receive Mr. Pedersen into the Presbytery and to install him as pastor of the Church.

Sincerely,

David Waggoner

September 25, 1917.

Rev. William N. Sloan, Ph.D.

Helena, Montana.

My dear Doctor Sloan,

I am writing you in regard to Rev. A. G. McNeely of Coffee Creek, Montana, who has applied for appointment to Indian work at Ketchikan, Alaska.

Mr. Stevenson of Lewiston, Montana, has recommended him and Rev. George G. Bruce, of Juneau, Alaska, Chairman of the Home Mission Committee of Alaska Presbytery, has written to Rev. Virgil B. Scott about it. No reply has been received as yet to this letter. I am writing to you for an authoritative statement in regard to Mr. McNeely. I understand he graduated at McCormick Seminary, and is ministering to the little church at Coffee Creek.

You know the style of man we need for Alaska. For the Indian work we do not so much need a man of great preaching power, as a man of good common sense, kindly and yet firm character, and attention to detail. The climate of Ketchikan is very mild, but damp, about the climate of Southern Scotland or the northern part of Ireland. The salary is \$1200. and manse, with expenses to the field.

I should much appreciate an early letter in regard to Mr. Neely's fitness for our work.

Very cordially,

Alaska Office
Board of Home Missions,

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2304 Newkirk Ave.

Brooklyn N. Y.

September 25th 1917

Rev. S. Hall Young D. D.

Dear Sir:

I want to recall
to you the visit this morn-
ing of my husband and
myself concerning the possi-
bility of an address by you
on Alaska. Since seeing you
I have been able to find a

friend living in our part of the city
who will address our society on
this subject. In order that
I may have the matter of the
Alaskan address settled - so I may
be able to get to another important
missionary matter, I think I had
better postpone your coming to another
year. I wish to thank you for the
time and courtesy of the morning visit.

Yours sincerely

A. L. Perry

(Mrs. H. Francis)

Bapt. Church of the Redeemer

September 25, 1917.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D., LL.D.
Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Dr. Marquis,

I understand from Mr. McAfee that it is left in your hands to tell me what conclusions you have arrived at in regard to the Alaska office, and to confer with me further.

I shall not be in my office tomorrow, Wednesday - we are moving to our new house, but shall be in early on Thursday. Can I see you before the meeting of the Board? Please let Mrs. Freeman know at once in answer to this question, so she may communicate with me.

Very sincerely yours,

Dictated but not signed.

September 27, 1917.

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D. LL.D.
Presbyterian Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Doctor Marquis,

As the prolonged session of the Board makes it impossible for me to see you today, I shall come as early as possible tomorrow morning, arriving here about a quarter to ten. I hope to see you then and have a talk about the Alaska office.

Just this one thought - that the decision to leave the administration of the Alaska office with the Secretary for New York, does not necessarily affect the plan in the least. I might be given the Alaska correspondence, etc. reporting to him instead of directly to you, and the missionaries in Alaska might be notified of that arrangement and thus the essential elements of the plan I submitted carried out. If, as I suppose and hope, Dr. Dixon is to be continued as the New York Secretary, his relations and mine would not be changed except that I could take a little of the burden off his shoulders without usurping any of his authority.

Again thanking you for your kindness in arranging about my salary, and in all other things, I am

Affectionately,

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THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

October 2, 1917.

Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D.,

156 Fifth Avenue, Manhattan.

My dear Dr. Young:-

I have gone over the list of places you would like to go and
I have the following to say about it:

You have selected the very cream of the Church and most of the
points you designate are places where we are arranging campaigns for the
Board. Before finally settling the matter I will need to talk it over
with you further. Let me say this now.

Go to Chicago at any time you care to, the sooner the better.
Let Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and all of the State of New York
wait until I can see you. Dr. Patterson is arranging a campaign in Bal-
timore for November and, of course, we ought not to interfere with that.
He has also been to St. Paul, Minneapolis, and so forth, and arranged
for a campaign there. I would suggest that you give your time to Chic-
ago and northern Ohio, outside of Cleveland, for the present.

After I return from my western trips I will then take the mat-
ter up with you.

Please also consult Dr. Dixon in the meantime. It is important
that you get your campaign started at the earliest possible moment and I
would suggest that you go to Chicago right away. When you go to Pitts-
burgh I would like to be with you, and also at some of the other points
you suggest.

Yours hastily and truly,

M-CM

John A. Margins
per L.M.
Ledar Rapids
to Oct 14

Mr. Strong
10/3/17

Arthur E. Clark,

R. F. Delivery #2,

Chester Depot, Vermont.

Mr. Belmore Browne,

R. D. #1,

South Tacoma, Washington.

City address-

350 West 71st Street,
New York City.

Copy

Report of Rev. A. G. Shriver,
Cordova, Alaska, 9-20-17.

In my last report I made mention of the fact that we were planning to build Sunday school rooms in the basement of the church, but we were forced to give up a part of the plan on account of meeting large boulders. We built one room for a Boy's Class.

The last two weeks I have spent a good part of my time repairing the house, and I have many odd jobs to finish before winter comes.

Our evening church attendance is increasing in numbers in spite of the rainy season and high winds. So many friends of the church and children of the Sabbath school are going to the states, yet we are holding our own in spite of it.

The Scientists have taken a girl from the S.S. It will soon be time to move down town for the winter, and I have been unable so far to secure a hall for the services, as the vacant store buildings are being taken by business houses. It is a painful thing to be obliged to move your worship several blocks twice a year simply because the church was unwisely built on a hill.

The Episcopal people are planning to build a church near their Club House which has served both purposes. They want to see the Rectory near us and go down on First St. Business and residence are stretching out on First St. instead of coming up the hill.

The work at Chitina has been quiet this summer because so many are out working. The S.S. will soon be reorganized and put in operation.

The town of McCarthy offers us a big field of service, and it is the coming town of the upper end of Copper River Valley.

At Kennebecalt, we are doing well, the S.S. has an average of fifteen and the preaching services are well attended.

The Episcopalians are now coming into the camp. They have a number of members in the camp.

October 4, 1917.

Rev. Dr. John A. Marquis,
Coe College,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

My dear Dr. Marquis:

I found your letter when I reached the office on Monday.

I am ready to go to Chicago just as soon as that can be arranged, but at present my time is filled up pretty completely until the holidays and I do not think that I can reach Chicago until after that.

I am to be at the Synod of Kentucky the ninth and at the Synod of West Virginia the sixteenth, and immediately after that, I understand, I am to make a canvass in West Virginia.

I have arranged to go to Ohio the middle of November. If I do all that they wish me to do in Ohio it will take me all winter, but I think it will be best to shorten that campaign, going only to the most important places and organizing the canvass as well as possible in different Presbyteries, leaving them to attend to the details in the smaller places.

Huron Presbytery, and probably two or three other of the Presbyteries, object to a personal canvass for home mission funds, having the mistaken idea that it will interfere with their Presbyterial home mission funds. That is to be arranged at the Ohio Synod, when the Chairmen of the Home Mission Committees will get together and arrange the itineraries of

2 Dr. Marquis

Dr. Wilson and myself.

Your suggestion that you and I go to Pittsburgh together suits me through and through. I think it the very best possible plan.

Very cordially yours,

October 5, 1917.

Rev. Watson J. Young,

Schoolcraft, Michigan.

Dear Brother Watson,

Yours of July 23rd containing a copy of the very gratifying comment on your poem, by Mr. Moore of Florida, has been too long unanswered.

When your former letter telling where you were having your poem published came, I was away on a long itinerary and did not get around to order the copies of the "National Inquirer" of Indianapolis which would contain your poem. I was also at that time somewhat pressed for funds. I am very sorry if I have missed the poem. If you have any complete copies of it and will send them to me, I shall be glad to pay the price. Is the poem all published? Do you intend to have it printed together in pamphlet form? Have you made any further progress towards its complete publication in book form? It is certainly very gratifying to find even one reader who has been so enthused by it. I hope you will succeed in getting satisfactory publishers. The work to which you have devoted so many years of hard labor should not be allowed to remain in manuscript or merely in the columns of a paper.

My books have done very well, and I have done some work on another story entitled "The Anvil of the North" - a story of the Nome stampede of 1899 and 1900. However, as I have passed my 70th birthday, I have concluded first to write a more important book; a story of my life among the Thlingets of Alaska, covering the years 1878 to 1886. While it will be a little book, I hope to make it of interest to the general readers.

Lassie and her children are living with me at Fair Haven where we have rented a house for a year.

I have recently been promoted in salary and office in the Home Mission Board, and am connected with that definitely for another year. I am soon to start on campaigns in Kentucky, West Virginia, and Ohio; to be followed by other campaigns in Chicago, Pittsburgh and elsewhere. I am afraid I shall not get to Michigan before next spring, at least, if then.

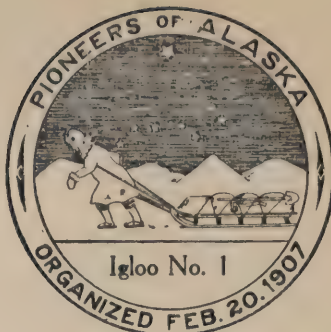
Please write me again soon and tell me how I can get your poem.

With love to your wife and children, I am ever,

Affectionately yours,

I never received copies of "The National Inquirer."

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E. W. CARLETON
H. H. MOLLER

Nome, Alaska, Oct. 19th. 1917.

S. Hall Young, D.D.

Board of Home Missions.

156 5th. Ave.

New York.

Dear Doctor:

Lomen Brothers have shown us part of a letter from you, in which you say that you sent us a copy of your book, "The Klondike Clan".

We are glad to learn that you thought of us, and intended to send us the book, but fear that you, or your publishers, forgot to attend to the mailing of it; for we have not received it. Nor did we know that we were "On the list", to receive a copy.

And we are glad to hear that you have another book, about to come out. We even dare hope that you may include a copy of that, when you have the other one sent to us.

We are building up a Library, as fast as we can with donations; and have something over 1300 volumes.

With best wishes from your many old friends,

Fraternally yours,

Charles Thornton

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Fairbanks, Alaska

WALLACE S. MARPLE, MINISTER

Manse, October 24th 1917

Rev. S. Hall Young, D. D.,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Dr. Young:

With every apology for the delay in answering your kind letters let me now give you some of the News. Things have been happening here and indeed we have been busy.

Dr. Condit came on in with Dr. Diven, stopping at Nenana, they adjusted things with Dr. Forbes and then he came to Fairbanks. What a welcome the people gave him and what good it did to have him here. He seemed please with the condition of things. We went over the changes in the Creek population, I outlined the plan in mind, and we went together to look at a car, not having value we passed it, with the understanding I should look for another. We had him preach both services; good, helpful sermons to a large number both morning and evening. While here he mentioned sending Dr. Diven a few needed things. The idea grew and everybody interested giving we sent him quite a little stuff, which the Steamboat Company franked. Dr. Condit leaving was to take Dr. Forbes to Ruby. We have the rumor he left that place later. (Dr. Forbes.)

We have been getting the bulk of the M.E. congregation and they have been brought closer into the work with each opportunity, till they themselves began to suggest union. I took it out in being more pleasant and said little. Dr. Condit and I went over the situation and he gave me his advice; at this junction one or two of the male members, thinking it best for show purposes, wrote advising the representative at Seattle to get busy or it would be too late. In post haste he sent in his best. Now we are lacking about ten to twenty at each preaching service and several at Sabbath school. It is a pity. The thinking people say it has been a mistake. The ladies of the M.E. portion of our Missionary Society- we met together had thought I could have \$100.00 from their fund towards the car, pledging their support in its upkeep. That too went. Cannot do a thing from this end only wait for the next opening; could you effect anything by visit or by letter? If the heads of the work for the M.E. Church had the facts they could see this overlapping a \$2,500.00 a-year waste and of little or no real need.

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Have been to the end of the line scouting. Made several friends and have been invited to visit homes but not to preach. They seem to feel that the number who would come to the service would be too few. Can only see one situation numerically possible on the line. The Episcopal Rector holds that, so felt home visitation only chance as yet. Will enclose letter from Ester. After waiting all August for the opening went out and spent the day. Had a good time and made freinds. Find few families, the four children, Mrs. Leidy has in her Bible class. We have been keeping her in supplies. They have been trying to get the number they think necessary lined up for a service. As yet no possibility: there may be later. Find the big thing will be the visitation at the homes, getting acquainted, then group Bible study, encouragement, prayer, leaving good tracts and books, Bibles as needed. I have down in the shed a motor-cycle and side car. So far I have been unable to get it going. if the fault is mine-it seems almost new-and not the cars, and it does not cost too much I shall buy it. It will be much more exposed than the Ford car but I shall only buy it at so low a price as to trade it in or sell it if the car becomes possible. Meanwhile we extend the Home Department as widely as we can.

As you see by the use of the typewriter our goods have arrived. Will you thank Dr. Dixon for his letter and accept our appreciation for your part in this matter.

Hope Gov. Strong will remain and that you will be selected. I was suggested and letters sent for Trustee. Could not see how so new a comer could be chosen, so was not disappointed. Wether it is visit or residence it would be great to have you and yours here. Kindly thank the little folks for their interest in Genevieve and tell them my hopes of that visit to see me in Alaska has been renewed.

By this time you have been adjusted to all the changes of administration and it is my hope and prayer to hear how fully and how wisely all has been managed. Of course Dr. Dixon and Mr. McAfee must stay. How could we get along without them. Then Alaska must have her special supervision. Dr. Young has my vote, as the vote of all the others concerned. That the big things you will do for Alaska may not have their consumation through our Board constitutes my only question of Gov. Strong's choice.

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Many indications here confirm the influence of a strong Catholic sentiment. Judge Wickersham would be most helpful. I have not met him although well acquainted with many of his friends and his ~~his~~ brother and family. Mr Selzer has been personally most cordial and kind yet the opinion prevails that he is not the man of the people as was, and is, Judge Wickersham.

Thank you for the encouragement about the coats. So far it has been very pleasant-the best Fall for years according to some-but it gets quite cold now. Winter has set in earnest. Cloth coats do not keep one warm, seemingly no matter how one adds them. Both comfort and expense compell our utmost appreciation. I take 16½ collar, 46 coat, little short of 6ft. tall. Mrs. Marple 36 bust, about 1½ in. less in height. As you say we can have them altered if a little too large. We feel you will do your utmost to secure the help necessary to this end and can only know that if any one could do it you will.

Congratulations on your birthday. No one would suppose you seventy. If here we would have some great trips together, although I doubt not you could well tire me out. May God grant you this and every other desire of your heart and spare you years to the Cause you love and to the many of us who hold you dear.

Twenty six miles is the best I have done yet. Had ten days on Mr. Tonseth's ranch, seventeen miles out, early in September and four days hunt in October. Saw game, others got it, but my only shot failed to do its work. Have been supplied with meat and if opportunity offers will have another chance.

Have found that nothing pleases the men folks here like being one with them in their sports. So I was all things to them. In return the "Preacher" had his place when it came to his part and they rose to the occasions like grace with willingness.

I will gladly send you any pictures that find their way to me that have value. The one inclosed is of a tame bear kept at the Fire-house. Thought it might interest the kiddies.

We are sending every good wish with this letter. and trust it shall find you in health, in blessing and in the full joy of your work. Kindly remember us to Mrs. Kliensmith and affectionately carry to the little ladies my sincere wish that we may soon meet again.

Very Sincerely yours, *Wallace S. Marple*

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Dear Sir:-

The enclosed sketch, personal to you, appears in the ninth edition of Who's Who in America, covering the years 1916-1917. Please make such corrections and additions as may be necessary to bring the sketch down to date, for the 1918-1919 edition.

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Please return the sketch at once. We also hope to be favored with your advance order for at least one copy of the new edition.

You will highly prize a copy of this TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY Edition, containing your own personal sketch, not alone on account of its manifest usefulness, but also because of a realizing sense of personally having a part in making its publication a conspicuous success.

Awaiting your early response, we are,

Very truly yours,

A. N. Marquis & Company

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OFFICE OF SECRETARY

Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D.
C/o Rev. D. C. Marshall,
St. Mary's, West Virginia.

Enclosed herewith is a

Your letter of October 31st is here to-day, and I am rushing off to you another of the ill-fated pink slips. Mr. Tompkins speaks of delayed mail matter as well as delayed express, so I presume the first one reached you the day after you wrote.

Good for the small church at Cameron - they
may not need to be overlooked after all, perhaps, on ac-
count of size. Very sincerely yours,

M. W. Freeman

Mannington, West Virginia, November 8, 1917.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Merrick,

Beechwood,

Parkersburg, West Virginia.

My Dear Friends:

Inclosed please find my temporary receipt for the ten dollars (\$10.00) you were so generous as to give to the Alaska work, and also accept my heartfelt thanks for the same.

You will receive later the receipt of the treasurer of the board.

Very sincerely,

SHY-KAM
Inclosure.

November 13, 1917.

Rev. Wallace Sutton Marple,
Fairbanks, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Marple,

Yours of October 24th reached me very promptly.

It was waiting me on my return from an itinerary in West Virginia this morning.

Your letter was full of satisfactory news. I am very glad indeed that you had such a good visit from Dr. Condit. He has a very strong hold on the people of Fairbanks and all that interior region, and his sermons are always good and helpful. We have heard from him since he arrived at Juneau, but have not yet received his full report. Evidently when he wrote he had not heard, as you mention having done, that Dr. Forbes had left Ruby. How silly it was for the M.E.'s to send in another man to their church at Fairbanks. That church has never in any large degree justified its existence. It was wrong to start it in the first place, just after I had built and organized my church, and the Methodist members were affiliated with the rest and all working harmoniously together. Now to divide the congregation again and have two struggling and dependent churches, when there might be one strong and independent one, is more than foolish - it is an ecclesiastical crime. I did what I could in this matter two years ago. Since the man is in at Fairbanks now, he will have to stay I suppose, during this winter, and you will have to get along as best you can? I hope he will prove more companionable and more truly evangelical than most of the ministers they have sent to the interior.

I am working on a great scheme which if carried out to a successful issue, will prevent any such division of our forces in the future. It is nothing less than the creation of the United Evangelical Church of Alaska. As the completion of this scheme requires a large money endowment for its success, I shall have to procure that in the first place, and there are men to whom I intend to go before the first of the year backed by Dr. Marguis, Mr. McFee and others, with the plan fully elaborated. If I receive encouragement from these rich men, I shall go before the general Home Missions Council composed of representatives of all the denominations, which Council meets in January, and try to put it through. The only thing that will induce the Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalists, Swedish Evangelical and Moravians to take hold, is a large endowment from these rich men. If I can dangle a million dollar endowment in front of the Methodist Board, I am certain that they will "come across." But this is all in the misty future so far, and may not materialize in anything definite. If I can thus succeed in making Alaska a great object lesson in Christian unity and church union, I shall die happy.

You and Diven are quite close neighbors for Alaska, and can get in your dog-sleds and visit one another during the winter. It is a pleasant "mush" of two days, and that is not much for an Alaskan. I shall follow with interest your attempts to take the gospel to the creeks. I was at Fairbanks in boom times and the creeks had a large population. I never enjoyed any work more than those preaching trips up the creeks.

When you have settled on the car, and raised what you can to pay for it, if you are not able to raise it all inside, let me know what balance is required, and I shall try to get it for you. Governor Strong has written me that there is a feeling against any ministers being on that College

November 15, 1917.

Hon. James Wickersham, M.C.
Delegate to Alaska, House Office 167,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Judge,

I am drawing this bow at a venture, and do not know whether I shall be able to find you, but I heard from Governor Strong not long ago and he said he thought you were back in Washington.

Of course I am very anxious indeed to hear how you have progressed this summer in your campaign in Alaska for your rights. I heard of your getting affidavits here and there, but as most of my information came from the unreliable and prejudiced Juneau "Empire" I do not know what or how much to believe. From what Governor Strong told me, however, and from my knowledge of the justice of your cause I feel confident that you will be able to prove your case, and send Sulzer back home a sadder and a wiser man.

As you probably know, I wrote a second letter to President Wilson on Strong's behalf, and learned that it reached the President. The fact that his reappointment has been held up so long proves, does it not, that the President will not take it and like matters up before the regular opening of Congress? The narrow, partisan and unscrupulous Democratic machine at Juneau has been excelling itself this summer in misstatements and vituperation both against you and Governor Strong. I cannot believe that such outrageous methods can prove successful. I have firm faith that you and the Governor will each have another term

in your office, and I am certain that all of Alaska, and the friends of Alaska, will rejoice.

Lassie and her family and myself have been living quietly at Fair Haven, N.J. where we have taken a house for another year. The "Kaiser" as we call Capt. K. has not been much in evidence. He is living at the Hotel Astor, and I am supporting his family. The suit cannot come up, by the laws of New Jersey, until next spring.

I have deferred the writing of my second story "The Anvil of the North" and am working now on a more important book, "My Life in Southeastern Alaska from 1876 to 1888." I shall make it somewhat in the style of "Alaska Days with John Muir" and shall see that it is as correctly historical as possible, and at the same time full of description, incident, legend, etc. I expect it to sell largely, but principally among the churches. However, I shall try to make it of general interest.

Now please write me as soon as you get this letter, and let me know where you are and how matters are going. With kind regards to Mrs. Wickersham, if she is with you, and best wishes to you both, I am

As ever, your friend,

November 15, 1917.

Charles W. Thornton, Esq.

Nome, Alaska.

My dear Brother Pioneer,

Yours of October 19th has just reached me.

In my letter to Lohman Bros. I think I said that I had sent a copy of the "Klondike Clan" to the A.B. Camp at Nome, not to the Pioneer Igloo. If you have seen the Klondike Clan, you will notice that I dedicate the book to the "Arctic Brotherhood" and that A.B. on the mountain at Skagway is on the cover of the book. I sent it to the two Camps that have made me a life member, namely, the Nome Camp and the Fairbanks Camp.

When I publish "The Anvil of the North" which will be a story of the Nome stampede, I expect to dedicate it to the Pioneers of Alaska, and shall of course send a copy to the mother camp, at Nome. However, I am deferring the completion of this book until after I publish another, namely, "Adventures in Seward's Folly - The Account of my life in Southeastern Alaska from 1878 to 1888" with a history of the beginning of missions and of civil government there. This will be followed also by another which I shall probably call "Adventures in Seward's Wisdom - The Account of experiences in the Mining Camps of Alaska from 1897 on."

However, when spring opens I shall be glad to send a copy of "Alaska Days with John Muir" and "The Klondike Clan" to the Nome Igloo of the Pioneers of Alaska for your library.

Will you please write me another letter telling me of the progress of the Pioneers, and whether you have had any more meetings of the Grand Igloo, and whether I am still its Chaplain? I am hoping to make a tour of Alaska next

summer and shall expect to meet you and the other Nome friends at that time.

With warm regards to all of you, I am

As ever, your friend,

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JAMES WICKERSHAM
DELEGATE FROM ALASKA

House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C. November, 19, 1917.

Dr. S. Hall Young.

156 Fifth Avenue, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Young:

Your letter of the 15th is at hand, and I was glad to get it. During my enforced absence from official duty I have been preparing the 5th Alaska Reports, which I have very nearly ready for the printer. Also, and with much labor, I have prepared a brief and petition for a rehearing in the Alaska Rate Case which I have only last week filed with the Inter-state Commerce Commission, and sent copies to all parts of Alaska. I hope to get a new trial in that matter and justice for the most heavily taxed people in the world.

The Sulzer contest is in good shape and will probably come up for final action in December or January. I am very confident, but you can never tell what a fool court will do. I have been one and know. It seems to me Governor Strong is being held up on account of my case, and that if I win he will, but if I fail he will, also. That being true I am making every fair effort to prepare and present the case fully and fairly to the Committee, and I hope to get a square deal and success. Mrs. Wickersham is here with me and we both send you and your daughter our kindest regards.

Very truly yours.

James Wickersham

Warren, Ohio

19 November 1917

My dear Old Chum,-

Not long ago I heard from Mrs. McBride at her sisters in New Albany, Indiana a very good piece of news about you. Namely, that you had taken to yourself a wife. Both Mrs. McBride and Mrs. Shaw formerly editor in Anchorage spoke very highly of your helpmeet.

My dear fellow, I congratulate you with all my heart and wish you with her a long life of happiness. You certainly deserve it.

You owe me a letter but I presume the explanation of your tardiness is obvious. You had married a wife and therefore could not write. We are expecting Mr. McBride east for the holidays and I am planning to put him very strenuously at work in Chicago and other places until after the meeting of General Assembly in May. All the Mission Boards of all the churches are very much "up against it" this year. The Red Cross work, Y.E.C.A., Liberty Bond, Armenian sufferers, etc., etc. are taking all the attention and all the spondulax of the Christian public just now. I am finding twice the difficulty in raising a \$7,000 fund this year than I found in raising a \$10,000 fund two years ago.

Lassie and her kiddies and myself are living at Fair Haven at New Jersey. We had a summer cottage there for two seasons and liked the place so well we rented a home there until next fall. It is an hour and a half from my office but a very pleasant community and close to the salt water, good schools, churches, etc. As the divorce suit cannot come off until next May and Lassie must continue to reside in New Jersey until that time, this seemed the best arrangement possible. The Kaiser, as we call him, still continues to put up at the Astor house while I am supporting his family. He has stock in certain aviation companies and is presumably making a lot of money.

My books have brought me in something of a revenue and my Board has raised my salary, therefore, we are getting along.

I expect to make a tour of Alaska next summer with Dr. Marquis, the General Secretary of our Home Missions Board. We plan to start some time in June, making the rounds of the Missions in southeastern Alaska, going over the white pass railroad down the Yukon, up the Tana to Fairbanks and on down to Nome, around by Unalakpa pass to Cook's Inlet, Anchorage, etc., then to Seward, Valdez, Cordova and back home. Hope to see you and if possible spend some time with you.

Now write and tell me all about your business, your wife, and prospects of your part of Alaska.

Very cordially, your old Chum,

Warren, Ohio.

19 November 1917

Dear Sirs,-

I am mailing back to you the personal sketch of myself for Who's Who in America, Vol. 10, 1918-19. Please append to the sketch already published the following:

Author books,

"Alaska Days With John Muir," published 1915.

"Klondike Clan" " 1916

Fleming H. Revell Company publishers.

"Adventures in Seward's Folly," to be published in 1919.

Home, Fair Haven, New Jersey. Office,
156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Sincerely yours,

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A. N. Marquis and Company.

Warren, Ohio

20 November 1917

My dear Dr. Marquis,-

Yours of Nov. 17th reached me at Winsman last evening. I am making my headquarters at present until Thursday with my dear friends, the Reinholds, of Warren. They took me over to Winsman last evening, the whole family going along. I wish we had more Home Missions Chairmen like Mr. Reinhold. He is boosting this campaign as very few men can or do.

Mr. McAfee can give you all the information that I possess concerning the West Virginia Campaign. We were handicapped by a peculiar situation there. However, I believe that West Virginia has been roused to effort as never before and that the Synod will begin to be in reality, not only self-supporting, but a factor in the great general work of the Board.

Here it is quite different. Under Mr. Reinhold's management the campaign is starting off splendidly in Lakewood Presbytery. Last Sunday morning at Miles we raised about \$50.00 for Menard fund which was quite remarkable for that church. They had taken up the morning offering as usual but at the close of my address they took another realizing some \$33.30 and the pledges when all in will bring it up, I think, to \$50.00. We had a splendid meeting at Warren Sunday night and while the returns are not all in, I think the special collection will amount probably to \$150.00. By Mr. Reinhold's advise I have had cards printed of which I enclose a specimen. These are for use in this Presbytery and possibly in Steubenville and St. Clairsville. The money goes first to the Presbyterian Treasurer, who is in this case Mr. Reinhold himself, and then will be handed to me.

There is one thing which I would like to have at once for use in this Ohio Campaign. Two months ago or more Dr. Patterson asked me to prepare an article upon Alaska as a business man's proposition. I did so and sent it to his office. He had not printed it the last I heard from him. Will not you please have it printed at once and send me copies for my follow-up campaign. Of course, all of the funds go right into the budget of the Board. I find that I can secure the most funds by making a special appeal for Alaska. I am also trying to get Alaska Missionaries supported and to accomplish this, I must ask for another document. Will you please have the Treasurer's office prepare and send to me at once a full list of the salaries paid the different Alaska Missionaries or Missions, indicating those that are adopted by special churches in order that we may not duplicate. I mean the parts of the salaries paid by the Board. Some churches are able to raise a smaller sum and others a larger. I wish as far as possible to clinch this matter with each church in time to give this money to a special field. The sums which the churches are able to give will range all the way from

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two or three hundred dollars to seventeen hundred dollars, the full salary of a Missionary in the Yukon Presb. tery. I shall need this list at once especially in Youngstown where it is to begin on Thursday.

Am very glad indeed to know that you have made progress in securing funds for the raise in my salary and I am very grateful to you. I left word with Mr. Banks to send to my daughter at once any such funds that might be paid in in order that she may be able to deposit the money in our bank in Red Bank and check against it in paying back bills.

I have been suffering with a very severe cold and some recurrence of my intestinal disorder but am better now under the loving care of Mr. and Mrs. Reichold. As to speak at Canfield tonight and Poland to-morrow. I expect to be in the office Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

Very cordially yours,

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Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D., LL.D.

Warren, Ohio.

21 November 1917

My dear Dr. Marquis,-

I am receiving letters constantly about my future itinerary for the winter and I am writing you now in order that I may not make any mistakes or cause any conflict in our plans.

My definite arrangements at present are as follows: From now until Dec. 16, perhaps until Dec. 18th, I am to be in this Mahoning Presbytery and in the Steubenville Presbytery, Ohio, with one trip to address Wooster Presbytery Dec. 10th. From Dec. 18th until Jan 12th I have made no appointment as yet. I calculated on staying at home and in the office getting up back correspondence and writing some on my new book. Jan. 13th I am to be at South Hampton, Long Island, an important appointment. About Wednesday, the 16th or 17th I expect to start in to St. Clairsville Presbytery, Ohio, continuing there until after Jan. 27th. Beyond that I have made no appointments, although Zanesville town and Marion, Wooster, and the Miami Presbytery of Ohio wishes me to make itineraries in their bounds.

I shall not make these further arrangements until I have had a chance to consult with you. You spoke about wishing me with you in a campaign in Pittsburgh. And if that could be placed some time in February or March, I would let the Ohio Presbyteries stand aside for that. You spoke, also, about my going to Chicago some time this winter.

There is another matter that requires consideration. Mr. McBride will be on hand for appointments by January first. We have sent him money to bring him east and let him spend the holidays with his wife in Indiana and with his old Mother and Mother-in-law. Then he will be ready to enter vigorously into our work and lecture constantly up to the time of the General Assembly. He will come east during the holidays, probably just after Jan 1st, and consult with us at the office before fixing his itineraries. He will be very efficient speaker, and I am prepared to equip him with lantern slides, etc., but we at the office must mark out his itinerary. I have thought that he would be very efficient in Chicago and perhaps elsewhere in the state of Illinois and Indiana.

He was at one time Pastor in Duluth, and if you want a good man for part of the winter and spring in Minnesota, I know of no one more efficient than McBride.

These are suggestions which we can discuss more fully next week when I see you. Just now I wish more particularly to say that if you know of any good appointments that I could fill during the holidays season in the vicinity of New York, I should be glad to put in that time. If you write me this week, address me in care of Rev. W. H. Hudnut, D.D., The First Presbyterian Church, Youngstown, Ohio.

With warm regards,

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MLL

Rev. John A. Marquis, D.D., LL.D.,

Memo. for Dr. Marquis and Dr. Dixon.

Dr. Hall Young is eager to push the proposal to organize an evangelical church in Alaska. He asked me to set down a memorandum embodying what seem to be the next natural steps. I have not showed the accompanying to him. Shall he be encouraged to think and proceed along the lines indicated?

November 23rd. 1917.

November 24, 1917.

Honorable James Wickersham
Delegate From Alaska
Washington, D.C.

My dear Judge:

It was with great joy, after the long silence, that I got your letter of Nov. 19th forwarded to me here, where I am on an itinerary for Home Missions and Alaska.

I am rejoiced to know that you are back on the job, and I hope that you will be able to stay right on it the next two years, and for many terms thereafter.

I shall be glad to get copies of the Alaskan reports and the brief and petition for rehearing in the Alaska Rate Case. I think Sulzer has thoroughly demonstrated his inability to get anything for Alaska and the hopes of the people are centered on your retaining your seat.

I shall be back in my office in New York from Dec. 18th to Jan. 12th, at least, and if during that time I can do any good for you or for Alaska by a trip to Washington I shall be glad to make it. After that time I shall be very hard at work among the churches raising our Home Mission money.

I do not see how you can fail to get your seat. Troy and the other members of the gang are frothing so frantically that I am inclined to think they have little hopes of winning out. I hardly think, however, that you are right about Gov. Strong being held up on account of your case. I believe that Pres. Wilson is deferring his appointment with scores of others until the regular session of Congress. And the fact that he has not moved in the matter is, I now think, favorable to Strong's case, although I did not think so at first. He received both of my letters indorsing

Strong with rather unusual kindness, expressing an interest in the letters and promising to give them careful attention. Dr. Halsey, of our Foreign Mission Board, a classmate and personal friend of Wilson's, thru whom I sent the letters, assures me that they were read personally by the President.

Strong, from his conversations with Houston, Nelson, Sec'y. Lane, and others in Washington, was quite confident that you would win your case. So much of Alaska's welfare depends upon it that I cannot think you will fail. The President has left such cases to Lane's judgment and Lane, I think, will back you up as well as Strong.

If you and Mrs. Wickersham are in New York this winter I want you to come down and spend a few days with Lassie and me at Fairhaven, N.J., near Red Bank. I have taken a house there for a year and Lassie and her children and I are very happy. The "Kaiser" is keeping very quiet and is living in style at the Astor House, while I am supporting his family.

Answer at my office and your letters will always be forwarded to me. With warm regards to Mrs. Wickersham and yourself, I am as always

Your friend,

SHY/MCW

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PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO SKAGWAY

Skagway, November 26, 1917.

Dr. S. Hall Young,
 156 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Dear Dr. Young:

For sometime it has been our purpose to write you concerning the Home Mission Exhibit in Skagway, being brought together for the purpose of stimulating interest in and disseminating authentic information about Home Missions in the Territory of Alaska.

You will recall the plan whereby the former Presbyterian Building is being utilized for this purpose. The Building greatly run down and unsightly in every respect has already, so far as the exterior is concerned, been brought up in good shape. Considerable must yet be done to make it fit for the use it is being put to but by the tourist season next year we will have it in good order.

For convenience we are here recalling the fact that all of the tourist ships to Alaska touch at Skagway, the majority of them terminating their voyage here. Some 90% of all the tourists coming to Alaska come to Skagway only, in fact it is the only port enroute at which adequate time is allowed visitors to really visit Alaska. The Canadian ships, by far the best boats in the Alaskan service, carry about 85% of all the tourist business and they are in Skagway two full days. After the first day, during which many tourists go to the Summit of White Pass or to Lake Bennet on the White Pass and Yukon Route, the people wander about our town and until this year were confronted with a Methodist Church, in good repair, an Episcopal Church in fair order, and a closed and unfortunate appearing Presbyterian Church and an even worse appearing Baptist Church.

Through an amicable arrangement you will recall the Presbyterians took over the Protestant work here and the former Methodist Building was utilized and put in even better condition. It is attractive, nicely furnished, and a credit to the Cause of Home Missions. The Presbyterian Sign is on that building. The former Presbyterian building was repainted, together with the manse, and a nice board placed thereon calling attention to the part this church had in the early history of home missions in the territory, and now the building is to be used to create greater interest in the work in the Territory. The outward impression in favor of the Home Mission Cause in Alaska was improved several thousand per cent last summer. The Church need no longer bear the stigma of being decadent so far as Skagway is concerned.

It should be borne in mind that the tourist ships, northbound, call at Wrangell about 3 o'clock in the morning, but even when later, time is scarcely allowed the principle tourists to visit our church, the first Protestant Church in Alaska. We have no work in Ketchi-

kan proper, the Indian work at Saxman being beyond the reach of the average tourist. When the ships reach Juneau, generally about 8 in the evening the tourists cannot locate our Native or White Churches without a microscope. The principle boats do not call at Haines, one of our most interesting Mission stations nor at Sitka which is of course about the most interesting work of all. None of the native churches like Hoonah, Kake, Klawack or Klukwan are touched and therefore the sole impression, the great majority of tourists coming to Alaska, receive of our mission work is that they secure at Skagway.

Realizing this more forcibly because of the hundreds whom we meet at the hotels, in the Bank and in church when the ships are in port on Sundays, we are endeavoring to gather together such pictures and products obtainable as will properly portray the extent and the character of the work carried on by the Presbyterian Church throughout the Territory. Inasmuch as the Christian leadership in Alaska falls to our church we have felt chagrined at the unfortunate expressions we have heard from some of our large contributors to Home Missions after they have visited the field, up to this year. To the end that this possible criticism should be reduced to the minimum we are trying to furnish full and complete information and to arouse a new interest in the work and we feel it is one of the best investments that can possibly be made. We believe the missionaries themselves feel this way for they understand their out-of-the-wayness and the impossibility of Presbyterians getting the right impression of the progress from what they can see enroute on the ships.

We have not wanted to make a direct appeal to our friends in the states for financial help until we can ascertain what you may be willing to do for us. You kindly volunteered to do all you could and we know your heart interest in the undertaking. We have figured up a budget which we want to raise between now and the first of March so as to be in good shape for the summer. We have been handicapped the past two seasons by lack of material when our wealthy Presbyterians visited us and there were many of them.

We will need at least the following:

For Assembling the exhibit	\$200.	
For furniture and fittings		
making it a pleasant resting place for tourists	200.	
For balance of improvements on building	100.	
For advertising and announcements to be handed out at boats	<u>100.</u>	
		\$600.

We are willing to do everything possible and have already done considerable and are gathering the material together as rapidly as possible but we cannot, in addition to the other financial responsibilities in the field, carry all of this. We therefore earnestly hope it will be possible for you to handle this for us. It would be a most worthy thing for some one, heartily interested in Alaskan Missions, to make the whole thing possible and feel it

was his or her distinctive piece of work. Of course that is simply a suggestion but we have thought it would be fine to be connected with some friend in that way, someone who would take a deep personal interest in the development of information and support in Alaskan Missions.

In any event we will appreciate it if you will kindly let us hear from you at an early date as to whether you will be in a position to take the matter up. If not we will have to go after things in another way, something we hope will not be necessary for we have wanted this to be, because of your connection with the establishment of Missions in Alaska in the early days, and your subsequent ministry in Skagway, one of the crowning pieces of usefulness in your already full career as a leader of Missions.

Trusting that you will be able to give this your early attention and hoping you see the importance of early action in order to make even more secure the position of leadership and influence of our own denomination in Alaska, we are,

Very faithfully yours,

L. H. Pedersen
Andrew Anderson

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PLEASE ADDRESS REPLY TO SKAGWAY

Skagway, November 26, 1917.

My dear Dr. Young:

In connection with the joint letter which Mr. Pedersen and I are sending to you on behalf of the Presbyterian Home Mission Exhibit at Skagway, I want to add a personal word or two.

First let me say that we feel a great deal has been accomplished for our Church in the happy and smooth transfer of the work back to the Presbyterian Church here. This could not have been done had not Mr. Pedersen the full confidence and loyalty of the Christian people here. Furthermore had he not been most cordial to the Presbyterian denomination it could not have been done. While he would not have stood in the way he might have gone to Ketchikan, where his Bishop desired to transfer him, making room for another Methodist preacher here which would have completely upset the plan. As it is Mr. Pedersen set about whole heartedly to co-operate in bringing the arrangement about and to show the love and the appreciation of the people, his call to the Presbyterian church was unanimous and he has subsequently been received by Presbytery and duly installed our pastor here. It is one of the happiest incidents I know of in Christian work.

Now as to the future. We feel strongly that the attitude of the Methodist Church will depend wholly upon the manner in which we make use of the situation. We feel we must show our ability to meet the needs of the field and keep ourselves strongly entrenched in the place of leadership. Skagway is the key to the situation in Alaska. While it has not the population of Anchorage, the largest city in Alaska, or of Juneau, the Capital, it is the place the people visit and from which they largely form their opinions concerning almost everything Alaskan. This is unfortunate but it is true. We must therefore not lose this opportunity to display the results of the past 40 years of effort by our Church in the territory beginning with your splendid work at Wrangell up to our present front rank place in the big City of Anchorage.

I earnestly hope you can get behind this Skagway publicity plan with your characteristic energy and despite war lines and the fact there will be retrenchment all the way through the Board we feel it of greater importance to equip us here so that we can show the wealthy tourists how things are actually handled. We feel confident the returns will justify the expenditure and the effort a hundred times over.

Hoping all is going well with you and reassuring you of our personal regard, we are,

Very faithfully yours,

Andrew Stevenson

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Representative for Alaska.

November 27, 1917.

Mrs. Myron G. Wick,
Youngstown, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Wick,

Your check of \$25.00 for the
Nenana Fund is just received, and I wish to thank you
most warmly for this special contribution to this very
important cause.

Very gratefully yours,

November 1917.

Notes on Alaska Church Extension.

The last American frontier. There is a general feeling that to introduce the sectarian system whose evils all seek to escape in the older territory of the United States would be a great calamity. Therefore consider the following proposed procedure:

The Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, now conducting more work in Alaska than all other evangelical bodies combined, to place on record and publish its desire to cooperate in the formation and support of The Evangelical Church of Alaska whose program shall aim to serve the whole community instead of a sect or selected group and shall allow individual liberty in those doctrines and ordinances where Christian sentiment is divided. The Board to seek specific action of the General Assembly approving this stand.

The Home Missions Council to be asked to consider putting itself on record as approving such religious organization for Alaska, recommending to its constituent Boards supporting work in Alaska that they favorably consider joining in this movement, and recommending to other Boards, former members of whose denominations are known to reside in Alaska in recognizable numbers, that they provide for cooperation and financial support.

The denominational Boards accepting the recommendation of the Home Missions Council to be asked to seek from their superior ecclesiastical authorities approval of their stand for this program and make general announcement for the information of their constituency both within and without the bounds of Alaska.

Boards and their denominations supporting this program to be asked to select a representative "Board of Church Extension for Alaska" whose executive headquarters shall be located on the north Pacific Coast or in southeastern Alaska, through which contributions from supporting denominational Boards and individuals may be made and under whose administrative responsibility the work of church extension in Alaska shall be conducted.

As soon as a sufficient number of congregations in Alaska have approved and enlisted in this program a representative body to be instituted, composed of delegates chosen by the constituent churches and clothed with such powers of supervision and direction as the constituent churches may prescribe. Ecclesiastical bodies now formally established in Alaska to be asked to disband their churches to membership in the Evangelical Church as churches may desire and to disband their ecclesiastical organizations.

The Home Missions Council to be asked to appoint a Committee of Five or more to prosecute the measures of this proposed program and to report progress annually until its work shall be completed.

PROGRAM

The World in Cleveland

Dec. 2 - 8, 1917.

Monday

December 3	Dr. S. Hall Young	5:00 - 5:30	White Man's Alaska
	Dr. S. Hall Young	6:30 - 7:15	Native's Alaska
	Mrs. G. H. Packard	7:15 - 7:45	Health Work in the Mountains

Tuesday

December 4	Dr. W. P. Shriver	5:00 - 5:30	City Task
	Dr. S. Hall Young	6:30 - 7:15	Alaska and the Business Man
	Mrs. G. H. Packard	7:15 - 7:45	Difficulties in Mountain Work

Wednesday

December 5	Dr. S. Hall Young	5:00 - 5:30	Alaska in the War
	Dr. W. P. Shriver	6:30 - 7:15	Immigration
	Rev. M. B. McNutt	7:15 - 7:45	Church and Open Country

Thursday

December 6	Mrs. G. H. Packard	5:00 - 5:30	Allanstand Industries
	Dr. W. P. Shriver	6:30 - 7:15	Responsibilities of the City Church.
	Rev. M. B. McNutt	7:15 - 7:45	Modern Methods in the Country Church.

Friday

December 7	Mrs. G. H. Packard	5:00 - 5:30	Needs of the Mountain People
	Rev. M. B. McNutt	6:30 - 7:15	Church of the Working Farmer
	Mrs. Z. F. Meade	7:15 - 7:45	Country Church and Women

Saturday

December 8	Mrs. G. H. Packard	5:00 - 5:30	Future Plans
	Rev. M. B. McNutt	6:30 - 7:15	New Home Missions
	Mrs. Z. F. Meade	7:15 - 7:45	Country Church and the Child

The World in Cleveland

The Great War and the World's Call to the Church

IN CENTRAL ARMORY

East 6th and Lakeside Avenues

DECEMBER 2 to 8, 1917

Under the auspices of the Home and Foreign Mission
Boards of all denominations and the Educational
and Missionary Committee of the Federated
Churches of Cleveland

Armory open daily from 10:30 a. m. to 10:30 p. m.

I. WORLD ACTIVITIES OF THE CHURCH VISUALIZED

Twenty booths will present the Church at work throughout the world in this supreme world crisis. Each booth will represent a country, or mission field, its people with their dress and customs, its curios, and the general activities and influence of the Christian Church.

The booths will be located around the four sides of the Armory leaving room in the center for an auditorium which together with the gallery will accommodate 2500 at the mass meetings.

Talks will be given by the missionaries throughout the day so that all who visit the booths will not only see the life and customs of the people but will get first hand information of the progress made through missionary efforts.

Three hundred young people will serve as stewards assisting the missionaries, calling attention to and explaining the interesting collection of exhibit material.

A wonderful opportunity to travel around the world and see and hear the great mission and work of the Church in this crucial period of the world's history. To visit these booths will be equivalent to reading a missionary library.

Each denomination will have charge of a booth. It will present the activities of the churches of all denominations, as well as its own, in the country assigned.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Baptist	Burma, Assam.
Congregational	Turkey, Armenia
Disciple	Africa
Episcopal	China
Evangelical Association.....	Japan
Reformed in America.....	
Reformed in United States.....	
Presbyterian	South America, Central America, Mexico
Methodist Episcopal.....	India
United Brethren.....	Porto Rica, The Phillipine Islands
United Presbyterian	Egypt

HOME MISSIONS

Congregational	Negroes
English Lutheran	American Indians
Episcopal	Alaska
Methodist Episcopal.....	Frontier Work
Presbyterian	City Missions, Immigration
Presbyterian.....	Rural Church Work, Mountain White

THE WOMAN'S BOOTH

Missionary operations of the Woman's Boards of all denominations will be presented in panels, 3x6 feet, in what will be one of the most interesting booths in the armory. The extent of the missionary activities of women will be attractively set forth. This exhibit will be a revelation to the women of the city who are interested in missionary work. It is the first collection of such information ever obtained. It will be the most complete survey ever taken of the mission work of women. Representative leaders will speak throughout the week upon this department of church work, and will bring the women of Cleveland face to face with their new responsibilities in this world crisis.

CLEVELAND BOOTH

The Social and Religious activities of Cleveland as represented by the Welfare Federation and the Federated Churches will play no small part in "The World in Cleveland." One large booth will contain an exhibit of the social problems confronting the various units in the Welfare Federation and the activities of the various units represented in the Federated Churches.

The booth will be equally divided between the two federations. The plan is to make the displays on panels of uniform size. Statistics and information regarding all of the organizations, their work, the number of people reached, the amount of educational, religious and social work done, and other facts of general interest, will be presented on these panels.

LITERATURE BOOTH

The Missionary Education Movement will prepare the most complete exhibit of missionary literature ever seen in Cleveland.

II. THE PAGEANT

A Symbolic Portrayal of the War, the Red Cross, and the Church, will be the general theme of the great spectacular pageant which will be given on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock. Six hundred will take part.

The Pageant aims to interpret the reality of war, the ministries of kindness, and the prophecy of peaceful and friendly relations with all nations when Christian ideals shall prevail.

Program of the Pageant:

Scene I. Spirit of Peace and War.

Characters: Napoleon; the Angel of Peace; the Spirit of War.
The triumph of Militarism; the downfall of Peace; Rescue by the Mothers of the World.

Scene II. Beginning of War.

Group 1.

Army with music, banners, and cheering, followed by the bitter realization of separation and impending danger.

Group 2. At the Front.

Group 3. Red Cross Scene.

Group 4. After the Battle.

Village scene. The news of dead and wounded reaches the grief stricken women through bulletin, letter and newspapers.

Scene III. Based on Historic Events.

Group 1. William Penn and the Indians.

Group 2. Father Serra on the west coast of California.

Group 3. The story of the first missionaries to India.

Group 4. Hiram Bingham and his party of young missionaries to Hawaii.

Group 5. Commodore Perry's peaceful entrance into Japan.

Group 6. Scene suggested by the return of the indemnity to China after the Boxer war.

Scene IV. Race friendship represented by groups of children of all nations, and by fifty young women representing the States of the Union. All who participate in this scene will be grouped around the Goddess of Liberty.

III. PUBLIC MEETINGS

Speakers of National Reputation will address great mass meetings in the Armory as follows:

Sunday, December 2, at 3 P. M. Two addresses, one setting forth the unprecedented opportunities for service in home mission fields, and the other calling attention to the new responsibilities resting upon the church to fulfill its world-wide mission. Speakers: **Dr. Charles L. White**, of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, and **Dr. James L. Barton**, of the American Board of Commissioners of the Congregational Church.

Monday, December 3, at 8 P. M. **Dr. Robert E. Speer** will speak upon the new world conditions and the preparations the church should make to meet them.

Wednesday, December 5, at 8 P. M. The **Rt. Rev. Charles D. Williams**, Bishop of Michigan, will speak on his experiences in France while on his recent Red Cross mission.

Friday, December 7, at 8 P. M. **Dr. John R. Mott** will speak upon the new world situation.

(Dr. Mott has assured the committee that he will come if the great work in which he is now engaged permits. He was unable to promise definitely at the time this program went to press.)

AFTERNOON MEETINGS UNDER WOMAN'S COUNCIL

An especially strong program of addresses has been prepared by the Woman's Council of the Federated Churches for Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons at 3:30 o'clock. The booths will be closed from 3:30 to 4:30. The program follows:

Tuesday, 3:30 o'clock. Address by Mrs. May Leonard Woodruff of the Board of Home Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on Woman's Work in Home Missions.

Wednesday, 3:30 o'clock. Address by Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery, President of the Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, "The Church's Mobilization Week."

Friday, 3:30 o'clock. Address by Mrs. Florence Miller Black of Foreign Missions Jubilee fame. This meeting will be especially for young women.

MISSIONS IN MOVIES

One of the most interesting features of the whole week will be the motion picture hours on Monday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons, at 3:30 o'clock under the direction of Mr. S. R. Vinton, leading authority in the country on this illustrative method of presenting missionary work. Mr. Vinton was born and lived a great part of his life in Rangoon, Burma. He is the grandson of the famous pioneer missionary who did so much for the Sgaw Kren people. The program Saturday afternoon will be especially for Sunday School children.

WHAT THE MISSION BOARDS AND THE FEDERATED CHURCHES HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH THROUGH THE "WORLD IN CLEVELAND."

To visualize the work and mission of the Church in this present World Crisis.

To set forth the Church's new responsibilities and opportunities at home and abroad.

To stimulate interest in the larger call to the nation for world Evangelization.

To direct the attention of a war-absorbed public to the great demands upon the Home and Foreign Mission Boards at the present time. One large denomination alone reports that its receipts to date this year have fallen off 40 per cent.

To strengthen the common purpose in which people are rendering war-time service and to show that back of all stands the great inspirational power-house—The Church.

HOW THE ENTERPRISE IS FINANCED

A budget of \$6,000 will be required to finance the Exhibits, the Pageant, the Speakers, and other expenses in connection with the undertaking. To raise this fund patrons' tickets, at \$1.00 each, have been apportioned to the churches.

Patrons' tickets are transferrable and admit one to all sessions in the Armory during the week. A nominal admission fee will be charged those who do not have the patron's ticket. The floor of the Armory will be reserved for those who hold these tickets until the time the mass meetings are scheduled to begin.

All receipts over and above expenses will be distributed among the Home and Foreign Mission Boards participating in the exhibits. For this reason all who can purchase the patrons' tickets should do so.

EDUCATIONAL AND MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

Rev. R. W. Woodroffe, Chairman; L. E. Sunderland, in charge of Home Mission Exhibit; Mr. Herbert Repp, of Volunteer Workers; Mr. Herman W. Maurer, of Decorations; Mrs. M. H. Lichliter, of the Pageant; Judge F. A. Henry, of Speakers; Mr. J. E. Murray, of Registration; Mrs. John F. Fisher, of the Woman's Booth; Mrs. Joseph Pursglove, of Refreshments; Rev. Alexander McGaffin, D. D., of Denominational Meetings; Mrs. E. M. Spreng, of Woman's Council; Miss Edith Moriarty, of Publicity.

THE FEDERATED CHURCHES OF CLEVELAND

1223 Schofield Building

Rev. Alexander McGaffin, D. D., President.
Rev. E. R. Wright, Executive Secretary.

Hotel Olmsted,

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 4, 1917.

Hon. James H. McLaughlin, U.S.
Delegate from Alaska,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Judge;

I am writing you on two important matters;

First: I am planning to write during the holiday vacation an article on the oil in Alaska and the war. Will you kindly send me the documents and statistics that I need. The latest estimates of gold, copper, fish and other outputs for the last year, including carapine, furber and white dogs. --Also the platinum and tin prospects, and the coal, -- also what account you have of the number of soldiers volunteered and drafted for the army. I hope to publish this in the Outlook.

Second: Dr. Marvin, our newly elected General Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions and I are desirous to make an extended tour of Alaska next summer. We are going to try to go up to Point Barrow on the Revenue Cutter.

Now, will you please tell me is there any way that I can make a short stop in June in Washington to secure this trip. You know we have the most fertile missions in Alaska at Point Barrow and also the most western at St. Lawrence Island and these can only be reached by the Revenue Cutter.

Answer me to my New York office and my letters will be forwarded to wherever I am. I am now making an itinerary for the missions in the State of Ohio.

Thanking you in advance for your help and kind regards,
Sincerely,
J. H. McLaughlin,

Yours truly,
J. H. McLaughlin,

Hotel Simstad,
Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 4, 1917.

Rev. John A. Harpiss, M.D., Th. D.
Gen'l Sec., B. D. of W. M.
156 Fifth Ave.
New York City.

My dear Dr. Harpiss:

I am writing you about two matters. First, my increased salary. Mr. Banks gave my daughter \$85.35 which was credited to October and November invoice on the basis of \$500. He and I agreed to send your return to the office that you might decide whether he was to give me another \$85.35 for those two months on the basis of the \$1,000 increase, which was stated you were going to try to raise.

If it was your intention to have the full amount paid me, will you kindly instruct Mr. Banks to send my daughter at once the other check for \$85.35 for those two months - October and November.

Of course, you know that when I stated I needed the salary of three thousand, I had figured pretty closely, and there are still bills to pay which my daughter will attend to as soon as the money is on hand.

If Mr. Banks is so instructed by you he will send me hereafter each month the full \$200.00.

I am writing you this because I do not expect to be home until the 10th or 15th, and must provide for Lizzie and the children in the meantime.

Second: I have written Dr. Condit asking for the names of stenographic companies, etc., to whom I can write for special rates for our

big trip next summer, but there is one important part of that trip which I think we can make, and which we did not talk over, - that is, the trip on the Revenue Cutter to Point Barrow. The Cutter generally leaves Nome for the last week in July or the first in August. The trip generally takes two weeks from Nome back. The Cutter touches at Heller Reindeer Station, Cape Prince of Wales, several points on Kotzebue Sound, including the Friends Mission at Cape Blossom, - The Episcopal Mission at Point Hope and as the last point, Point Barrow, then returns to Nome via St. Lawrence Island.

The trip, exclusive of this Arctic excursion, will take a little less than two months and a half from New York back. This Arctic trip will add two weeks to that time. If you approve I shall write at once to our delegate in Congress - Judge Dickersham, - who is now in Washington, and also to the proper departments to obtain permit to make this trip. It will be the chance of a lifetime both for you and for me, and we can make it with ~~it~~ little expense. I think the Revenue Cutter charges only for meals.

Mrs. Freeman will give you my address, and I shall like to hear from you without delay on both of these points.

My Ohio Itinerary is going very well so far considering the time. I am in Cleveland for three days, speaking at The World in Cleveland. I have one more point in Mahoning Presbytery - East Palestine - and then have two weeks in Steubenville Presbytery and then home for the winter.

Very cordially,

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 5, 1917.

Mr. C. S. Robinson,
Mahoning National Bank,
Youngstown, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Robinson:

Your check for \$15.00 was forwarded to me here
from my New York Office.

I am turning it over to the Presbyterial Treas-
urer, - Mr. Reinhold - and he will send it to our Board in New York,
from whose Treasurer you will receive a receipt.

Thanking you for myself and for Alaska for
your generous gift, I am,

Very sincerely,

Hotel Olmsted,
Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 5, 1917.

Rev. F. P. Reinhold,
Warren, Ohio,

My dear Mr. Reinhold:

Enclosed find two checks which have lately come to me, both of which are to be credited to the First Church of Youngstown for the Henson fund. I am acknowledging both of these sums--\$2.00 from Dr. Jessie B. Johnson and \$15.00 from C. S. Robinson--this makes \$17.00 from that church. I would like to make it up to \$20.00 and perhaps I can upon my return to Youngstown.

Very sincerely,

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Rev S Hall Young
156 - Fifth Ave
New York

Dear Brother:—

DEC 6 - 1917

In place of the Annual Luncheon of the Presbyterian Ministers' Association of New York and vicinity, a public meeting will be held in the Marble Collegiate Church, corner 29th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Monday afternoon, December 10th, 1917, at 2 o'clock. The following speakers will make addresses:

"America at the Front"

BISHOP LUTHER B. WILSON, D.D.

"Over the Top in 1914 With the Princess Pat's of Canada"

Sergeant-Major W. J. BRAMHALL

"Personal Knowledge of Prussian Atrocities and the Russian Revolution"

Captain ARTHUR BUDD

Recently in Red Cross and Diplomatic Service in Russia

"Lessons from the War"

REV. LYMAN ABBOTT, D.D., LL.D.

LEWIS W. BARNEY, Secretary

PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

OFFICE OF GENERAL SECRETARY

December 13, 1917.

Rev. S. Hall Young, D. D.,
C/o Rev. W. A. Condon,
Ulrichville, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Young:

Your letter of the fourth has just come to my hand and I am giving it to Mr. Banks. I have not been able to get any more than \$700. for you this year. You know the Board only authorized me to raise \$500. and I told you I would get the other \$500. if I could. I wrote several persons some time ago but have received no reply at all. Mrs. Thaw never answered me. I ought to say also that I doubt very much whether I can repeat even the success I have had this year but I am willing to try.

How are you getting on in your campaign? I hope well.
Do all you can to get transportation for the Alaska trip next summer.

Very sincerely yours,

John A. Morgan

Steubenville, Ohio, Dec. 14, 1917.

Miss Peggy McWhirter,
1st Presbyterian Church,
Youngstown, O.

My dear Miss McWhirter,-

Your letter of Dec. 5th enclosing five pledge cards for the Nenana fund Alaska, and \$2.00 in cash, reached me here after long delay on account of the storms.

I am forwarding the cards and the money to Rev. Franklin P. Reinhold, Treasurer of Machoning Presbytery and am writing a letter to acknowledgment and direction to each of the subscribers asking them to send the money to him.

Any cards that may come in in the future please send to Mr. Reinhold, notifying me at my office of the amount and the name. Mr. Reinhold sends his check for the amounts he receives to me and thus we keep the books square.

Thanking you for your trouble, and with warm regards to you, Dr. Hudnut and the good friends of the 1st Church, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Steubenville, Ohio, Dec. 14, 1917.

Mr. Samuel G. McClure,
Telegram,
Youngstown, O.
My dear Mr. McClure,-

Miss McWhirter, Dr. Hudnut's secretary, has forwarded me your card pledging ten dollars to the Nenana fund, Alaska.

Will you kindly forward the amount of your subscription at your convenience to Rev. Franklin P. Reinhold, Warren, Ohio, the Presbyterial Treasurer. He will send it on to me in New York.

Thanking you for your generous gift to our Alaska Missions, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Steubenville, Ohio, Dec. 14, 1917.

Rev. Franklin P. Reinhold,
1st Presbyterian Church,
Warren, Ohio.
My dear Mr. Reinhold,-

Yours of the 7th was long in reaching me, I suppose on account of the storm. I am sending the \$39.84 enclosed to our Treasurer. Thank you very much for your splendid work in Mahoning Presbytery and hope the sums will keep on coming in. The contributions from Canton and East Palestine ought to reach you soon.

I received a little letter from Miss Peggy McWhirter, Dr. Hudnut's secretary, enclosing the pledge cards and the \$2.00 which I enclose. I have written these four parties acknowledging the sums and directing them to send them to you. I enclose Miss McWhirter's letter that you may have the addresses, please send it to me at my office.

The campaign in Steubenville Presbytery has been in more than one respect "a frost" as compared with that in Mahoning Presbytery, partly on account of the awful weather and principally because I do not have you to manage the campaign here. Some of our meetings have been entire failures and the others partially so. With the softening weather, however, I hope for better results in the remaining churches. I shall finish the campaign in this Presbytery next Monday evening in Salineville.

Please give my warm regards to Mrs. Reinhold and Miss Nellie. I long to get back to my Warren home and hope that I may be able to make you a short visit when I go to Youngstown, Jan. 15th.

Please reply addressing to my office where I will be from Dec. 19th to Jan. 15th. I shall be a very joyful man when I see Lassie and the kiddies again.

Warmly yours,

WALLER & DUGGAN

LAWYERS

ALASKA BUILDING

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

Anchorage, Alaska, Dec. 17th, 1917

Dear Dominic,

Yours from Warren, Ohio, received on the last mail and I plead guilty to delinquency. During the Fall, I was rather busy. My partner, in anticipation of dull times for the period of the war, took a position with the A.E.C. and has been working steadily for the last four months. That threw all the office work onto me at the busy season, and while I had no difficulty in getting by with it, it kept me busy. Then, of course, getting the house fixed up for two ^women where there was none before, added to my responsibility. The second woman is Vera. She applied for and secured a position in the Anchorage Schools and is living with us, 631 Fifth Ave.

It is rumored that the McBrides will not come back. I, for one, am sorry because I liked both of them very much. Mc. maybe, was sore more than once because I did not go to hear him preach, but you know that you are about the only orthodox preacher I ever would listen to, and not always you. And besides, I always had work to do around the house on Sunday and could not get through in time to go to church. In the evening I was usually tired and would a whole lot rather play chess. The ¹, I knew, if I went to Church, I'd go to sleep, -and snore.

I am tickled to death at the prospect of seeing you next Fall. Now listen. You are to get here as near the first of September as possible. The first thing we

will do will be to go over to the Beluga flats after ducks. There is where all the ducks come from. Ask Mc. He and I were there last fall, when six of us got three hundred in a week.

We will hunt ducks in Sept. and if you can stay so long, in October, we'll go down to Anchor Point after moose and sheep. It may be our last chance for that long looked for hunt. So don't queer the program.

I have often wondered where the "Kaiser" was. But I guessed that he had gone back to Germany and was fighting for the Fatherland. I wonder what he intends to do about his guns. I wrote him about them,--that I had them; that I had brought the 35 with me and some ammunition and had charged the same to my account, that I had turned the other guns over to my brother etc. etc.

He did not answer my letter but when he was in Seattle thereafter, he went out to my brother's and got his pet Savage.

The family was not at home and the gardener got the gun for him. He left no word and said nothing about the other guns.

If I do not hear from him this winter, I shall have Jeff send the Manlicher, in the hope that the war will be over within the next year and that then I can get ammunition for it.

You did not say whether he is fighting the divorce proceedings or not, and if so, on what ground.

I was not unprepared for the news of the proceedings.

Business is dull. There is in fact none to talk about. There has been an unusual exodus from the country this winter and there is no one left to do business.

Gold mining is not profitable and the operators in this section are working only just enough to keep control of their property. There are some wild catters in Anchorage who talk of putting in machinery next season but I suspect it is a false alarm and a ruse to sell stock. There are no copper properties near here of sufficient importance to open just now, and the only thing we have is the coal.

The railroad is now completed to Chickaloon and the Government will soon be getting enough out to supply the local government demand, and maybe some for the local market. The private interests are yet problematical.

The crucial question now is as to the quantity of good coal. The veins which have heretofore been opened have been disappointing. The coal is half dirt and broken into fine bits. In fact it is merely slack, and very unsatisfactory for domestic uses.

The future of Anchorage depends on the coal. If that turns out all right, the industry will tide us over until other resources can be developed. If coal should be a failure, then good bye to all of our fond hopes. Before the war is over, Anchorage will be so dead that it will take ten years to revive her.

My wife is not of the brilliant sort. She is not specially educated. She is not a leader in Society and cares nothing for Women's clubs, card parties. She is not pretty. She has red hair and pale blue eyes. Her only ambition is to take care of her home and to make me happy. You will not be able to carry on a theological discussion with her, and if you take too much of my time for playing chess, she might deem herself neglected, but when you come to see us, your creature comforts will be taken care of and you will be given to understand that her old man is about the best ever and that he would be in Wilson's place now if the country was not composed of a lot of blockheads.

Nuf sed.

Love to Lassie and the Doodle bugs.

Waller.

DEC 21 1917

JAMES WICKERSHAM
DELEGATE FROM ALASKA

House of Representatives U. S.

Washington, D. C. December, 20, 1917.

Rev. S. Hall Young.

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Doctor Young:

I think it is very important that you come to Washington for two days, at least, and assist in doing some work for Governor Strong. They are making a drive on him and he will be defeated if his friends do not meet it. Riggs is either in Seattle or probably in Washington, and I very greatly fear will be appointed soon after Congress meets if we do not stop the rush. It can be met, but no one can do so much to meet it as you, and I urge you to come and do it. If you can possibly get here next Wednesday morning do it.

Telegraph me in advance and I will get you a room.

Dont fail to come.

Very truly yours.

James Wickersham.

Third Presbyterian Church,
Steuersville, Ohio,
Rev. George H. Rowland, Minister

Removal Address
426 Adams St.
Steubenville

December 31-1917

Rev. S. Hall Young D.D.
New York.

Dear Sir:- I am sending
herewith \$5 - collected the evening you
were here. I have been waiting hop-
ing it might be increased. You
will also find several addresses of persons
able to make liberal contribution if
they are so disposed. Kind regards and
best wishes for your success.
I am sincerely, Geo. H. Rowland